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At the Court at St. James's, December 30. 1714.

PRESENT

The King's moſt Excellent Majeſty in Council.

HIS Majeſty having been pleaſed to appoint the Right Honourable Henry Earl of Uxbridge Lord-Lieutenant of the County of Stafford, and Sir William Courtney, Bart. Lord Lieutenant of the County of Devon; they this Day took the Oaths appointed to be taken inſtead of the Oaths of Allegiance and Supremacy.

Oſwald Moſely, Eſq; is appointed Sheriff for the County of Stafford.

St. *James's, December* 31. The following Addreſſes have been preſented to his Majeſty.

An humble Addreſs of the Stewart-Depute, Juſtices of the Peace, and other Gentlemen of the Iſlands of Zetland; preſented to his Majeſty by Mr. Forreſt, introduced by his Grace the Duke of Montroſe, one of his Majeſty's Principal Secretaries of State.

An humble Addreſs of the High Sheriff, Juſtices of the Peace, Clergy, Military Officers, Grand Jury, and Gentlemen Freeholders of the County of Kerry; preſented to his Majeſty by the Right Honourable the Earl of Sunderland Lord Lieutenant of Ireland.

Which Addreſſes his Majeſty was pleaſed to receive very graciouſly.

Stockholm, Dec. 4. *N. S.* Lieutenant-General Lieven arrived here the 22d paſt. The next Day he ſignified to the Magiſtrates, that being ordered to compliment this City on the Part of the King, he deſired to have the Principal Burghers called together at the Town-Houſe: Accordingly a conſiderable Number of them repairing thither, he told them, that the King had expreſly commanded him to thank them for the Firmneſs and Zeal which they had ſo conſtantly ſhewn for his Majeſty's Service, and to aſſure them of his Favour and Affection: That he was further charged to acquaint them, that the King earneſtly deſired to terminate a War which obliges him to require ſuch large Supplies from his Subjects; that he will never refuſe Peace, provided ſuch a Treaty be offered as might be equally honourable to his Majeſty and his Kingdom; but that at the ſame time he is abſolutely determined to abide the laſt Extremities, rather than beg a Peace, or accept a diſhonourable one, being perſwaded that every true Swede is of his Mind. This Week the Commiſſioners appointed to regiſter all Eſtates both Real and Perſonal, made a beginning in this City; and that Buſineſs is to be finiſhed throughout the Kingdom by the 20th of next Month; after which it will ſoon be known how much per Cent. every Perſon will be taxed at. 'Tis ſaid the King has ſent Order for 4 Regiments of Horſe to be forthwith tranſported from Schonen to Pomerania; but the advanced Seaſon ſeems to render the Execution of this Order impracticable till the next Spring. The Squadron which hath had its Station in the Bothnick Gulph this Summer, under Vice-Admiral Lillie, is now come to Winter here; and that under Admiral Watrang is returned to Carlſcrona. General Meyerfeldt, Governor of Pomerania, ſet out from hence the 27th paſt, to wait on his Swediſh Majeſty at Stralſund: He obtained that Day a Loan for the King's Service of 100000 Rix-dollars from the chief Burghers of this City, to be paid at Hambourg on Bills of Exchange, which are this Poſt to be ſent after him. Tho' the Wind has been often fair to bring the Packet boats from Pomerania to Sweden, yet no Mail is come from thence ſince that which brought the firſt News of the King's Arrival at Stralſund.

Stralſund, Dec. 22. *N. S.* The 12th the Hereditary Prince of Heſſe Caſſel arrived here, and was received by the King of Sweden with great Marks of Eſteem and Affection. His Majeſty paſſes much of his Time in that Prince's Company; ſometimes they divert themſelves by Riding abroad, and oftener with ſeeing the Troops exerciſe, which are cantoned here and in the Neighbourhood. His Majeſty gives great Application to the Recruiting of his Forces, and making all other Preparations for the enſuing Campaign. General Meyerfeldt Governor of Pomerania, arrived here Yeſterday.

Warſaw, December 22. *N. S.* Beſides the 14 Regiments of Horſe and Foot which were ſent ſome time ago to Saxony, his Poliſh Majeſty hath now ordered all the reſt of his Saxon Troops in this Kingdom to march towards the Frontiers of Great Poland, that they may be the readier to join the others if Occaſion require; 'tis ſaid his Majeſty will not defer much longer to go himſelf to Saxony.

Vienna December 22. *N. S.* Letters from Conſtantinople of the 17th paſt give an Account, that M. Fleiſchman, the Emperor's Reſident there, had demanded Satisfaction for a Veſſel which had been ſeized by the Corſairs of Dolcigno, in her Paſſage from Fiume to Naples, with divers Officers and other Subjects of the Emperor, ſome having their Wives and Families with them, who were all made Slaves: The Port to ſhew their Inclination to keep fair with the Emperor, have diſpatched an Officer of Note, with Order to cauſe all thoſe Captives to be ſet at Liberty, the Veſſel or its Value to be reſtored, all Loſſes and Damages to be made good, and the Aggreſſors to be exemplarily puniſhed; and M. Fleiſchman's Interpreter is ſent with that Officer to ſee all effectually performed. The Ambaſſador of Venice reſiding here, having communicated to the Emperor the Advices he has received of the great Preparations of War made by the Turks, which cannot but be deſigned againſt that Republick or againſt Maltha, it has been reſolved to ſend Order to M. Fleiſchman to repreſent to the Grand Signior, that if he attacks the Venetians, his Imperial Majeſty will be obliged to aſſiſt them, as Guarantee of the Treaty of Carlowitz. The 14th Inſtant a Courier arrived here from Antwerp, and Conferences have been daily held ſince. Count Konigsfeld, who was ſaid to be come hither as Envoy from the Elector of Bavaria, was only charged with a Commiſſion from the States of that Country to this Court, and is already gone back with Satisfactory Diſpatches.

Ratisbon, Dec. 24. *N. S.* The Deputies who compoſe the Congreſs of the Circles of Swabia and Franconia, held at Hailbron, have not yet ſettled the Affairs committed to their Deliberation: In the mean while, the Circle of Franconia has already disbanded three Regiments which were raiſed during the laſt War; the Officers are allowed Subſiſtence, and moſt of the Men are put into the old Regiments: 'Tis ſuppoſed that when the Congreſs breaks up there will be a further Reform. The 10th Inſtant, the Dyet, by a Decree ſignified in Form to the Magiſtrates of this Town, injoyned them to be very cautious of harbouring Strangers, and to ſee that the Paſsports of Travellers be of freſh Date, and duely Counterſigned from Place to Place, becauſe a Contagious Diſtemper has newly appeared in ſome Villages about Scharding and Saltzbourg; and for the ſame Reaſon the County of Tyrol is ſaid to have forbidden all manner of Correſpondence with the Biſhoprick of Saltzbourg and with all Bavaria, except the Town of Munich and its Territory. A little Village in the Dutchy of Newbourg, about three Leagues from hence, is alſo ſuſpected of having the Infection, and is therefore ſhut up: And the Magiſtrates here have ordered one of the Inhabitants to attend conſtantly with the Officer of the Guard at every Gate, for the better preventing any Perſons entring without good Paſſports. The Dyet is now Adjourned, on occaſion of the Holydays, to the 2d of January.

Bruſſels, Jan. 2. *N. S.* Count Koningſeck and General Cadogan arrived here the 24th paſt from Antwerp, whence M. Vander Duſſen and Geldermalſen ſet out for the Hague the 22d. The Chevalier Strozzi, an Agent from the French Court, is come hither: He has brought Letters from that Court for Count Koningſeck, and 'tis reported he is to remain in theſe Parts 'till the Barrier Treaty be finiſhed. 'Tis adviſed from Luxembourg, that 4 Battallions of Imperialiſts appointed to take Poſ-

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